

Thursday, May 27, 1999

## Discovery launches with crew of seven on resupply mission for ISS



## KSC building future workforce through Take Sons to Work Day

▲ **Perfect Launch!** Early this morning Space Shuttle Discovery and its crew of seven hurtled into a gossamer sky on mission STS-96. Liftoff was at 6:49:42 a.m. EDT. STS-96 is a 10-day logistics and resupply mission for the International Space Station (ISS), carrying about 4,000 pounds of supplies, to be stored aboard the station for use by future crews, including laptop computers, cameras, tools, spare parts, and clothing. Two other payloads include a Russian crane, the Strela, and a U.S.-built crane. During a space walk, Mission Specialists Tamara Jernigan and Daniel Barry will be installing the cranes on the outside of the ISS for use in future construction. Landing is expected on June 6 at 1:58 a.m.



▲ **Take Our Sons To Work Day** -- Kennedy Space Center will sponsor "Take Our Sons to Work Day" on **June 8, 1999**. This annual program allows parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, sisters and brothers who work at KSC and Cape Canaveral Air Station to bring a young man to work with them and to encourage them to look at various career choices available, stay in school, and set goals for their future. Sponsors may bring more than one child, **but only children nine years and older may participate**. See the May 28 issue of *Spaceport News* for more information on badging requirements, the day's activities and programs. For more information, contact Liz Wise via e-mail at [Liz.Wise-1@ksc.nasa.gov](mailto:Liz.Wise-1@ksc.nasa.gov) or Jean Rhodes at [Jean.Rhodes-1@ksc.nasa.gov](mailto:Jean.Rhodes-1@ksc.nasa.gov).

◆ **Space Coast Chapter Federally Employed Women** are holding their Installation and Awards Banquet on June 7 at the Doubletree Hotel, Cocoa Beach. Social starts at 6 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. The program immediately follows. Along with several scholarship awards, FEW will present the Distinguished Service Award to Marvin Jones, the President's Award to James Jennings, and Member of the Year Award to Aneta Ott. Guests are always welcome. Choice of dinner is chicken marsala or roast beef with bordelaise sauce, for \$19. Please RSVP to Clara Anderson, 639-3154, by COB June 2.

◆ **Did You Know?** **Monday, May 31 is Memorial Day, a federal holiday.** Some claim the custom was originated by some Southern women who placed flowers on the graves of both Union and Confederate soldiers after the Civil War. In 1966, however, the U.S. government proclaimed that Waterloo, N.Y., was the birthplace of Memorial Day. On May 5, 1865, the people of Waterloo had honored soldiers who had died in the Civil War.

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